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The graduating class of 1939 gladly takes advantage of the opportunity here afforded to publicly express its appreciation and esteem by dedicating the current issue of the Year Book to their Principal, Mr. Ernest K. White, through whose wise, able and understanding leadership the affairs of the school have been so well administered and its future so confidently assured.

Class of 1939 A. D. Higgins Innior High School

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Class Song

HAIL, HIGGINS JUNIOR HIGH (Adapted from Hail, Pennsylvania)

Hail, Higgins Junior High! Steadfast

and strong; To thee with loyal hearts, we sing this

Swelling to heaven high, our many praises ring; Hail, Higgins Junior High, to thee we

Hail, Higgins Junior High! Guide of our youth;

Lead thou thy children on to light and truth;

Ne'er can thy spirit die, nor thy walls

Hail, Higgins Junior High, for thee we

Class History

"Time Marches On."

This statement, created and popularized by newsreel cameramen and the motion picture industry, has come to be a symbol of progress and activity. The "March of Time" presents a vivid, concise review of the news all over the world. We have borrowed the phrase as the theme of our class history. Looking forward two years ago, the road seemed very long, but all too soon we have come to the end. With our imaginary news-reel camera, let us turn back the pages of history two words and the residual transfer. of history two years, and examine in quick review the highlights of news concerning the "Class of '39."

A group of young people gathered from various parts of the town on September 7, 1937, to enter the first year of junior high school. This group of merry pupils were shy, but very eager to learn

all they can in this short length of time. We find them looking forward to a year of health, progress and happiness. We hope that the clear, cool weather is an indication of what the future holds for

On September 16 we started our first extra-curricular activities by helping the eighth grade in their annual magazine drive. The leading salesmen in our class were Edward Knight and William O'Brien.

Late October brings an important item of news. The first report cards tell the

Class Poem

School days full of work and pleasure, Friendships hard to part; Happy times beyond all measure, Thoughts that fill the heart.

There are work and pleasure waiting, If we strive our share to do; With a courage unabating, And a heart that's ever true.

Now the time has come for parting, From the Higgins Junior High; We will try to raise your standards, Ever upward to the sky.

Sidney Bushnell.

story of progress during the first two months. There were nineteen pupils on the Honor Roll.

On November 16 the basketball team for 1937-38 was organized. Players from our "Class of '39" were Michael Panella and Stephen Triola. Hopes are high for a good team during the coming year.

On November 24 a news flash of special importance! Off for Thanksgiving Vacation! We hope everyone will not have to take Castor Oil after the big feast.

During December the Higgins School joined the battle against tuberculosis by carrying on the annual sale of Christmas seals.

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On December 23 we wished one and all a Merry Christmas as we are out of school for a week's vacation.

February 2 was a significant day in the "March of Time." Gloomy faces were the indication that Mid-Year Exams are now in order. Each one was anxious to excel in the first measure of our half year's progress.

On March 27 try-outs for our Rainbow Minstrel started. Rehearsals will

soon be in order.

On April 27 our Rainbow Minstrel was presented. It was a huge success. Pupils in our class who helped the show were endmen, Henry Buika, Albert Baronian and John Rarus.

On May 10 we returned from our week's vacation and began practicing for

the Fashion Show.

On May 27 the Fashion Show under the direction of Miss Smith was presented. The girls in our class who took part were: Bertha Gracewski, Eva Piotrowski, Ella Raffia, Wanda Parvelac, Gladys Bonk, Fannie Tomaszek, Frances Kukulka and Gene Furey.

June 20 found us going into the second year of junior high school. We bade farewell to our leaders the "Class of '38." We hope that our second year of junior high school will be as successful

as the first.

On September28 the Class of 1939 reassembled as eighth graders to complete the work of junior high school. Most of the pupils were hopeful and eager to start the year right and begin their studies immediately. We were all very happy to welcome our new principal Mr. Ernest K. White, who came to us from Warehouse Point.

On September 27 we began a week of concentrated salesmanship in the form of our annual magazine drive. William O'Brien was chosen captain of the Americans and Edward Knight the captain of the Nationals. Both boys were high salesmen last year. Miss Woods and Miss Twomey were the faculty advisors. The Americans won with William O'Brien being high salesman while Gene Furey was high saleslady. The winners had a box of candy kisses to eat while the losers entertained.

On September 29 the Student Council was organized under the direction of Mr. White. The Student Council officers were elected as follows: President, Earl Richardson; Vice-President, Gene Furey;

Secretary, Francis Fay.

On October 12 Higgins was well represented at the four-town fair at Hazardville. Our class won first prize for their Bigelow-Sanford project. Many boys and girls were awarded numerous prizes and honors for their splendid work in athlet-

ics. Michael Panella took first place in the 50 yard dash, the 440 yard dash, and the high jumps, winning three blue rib-

On December 21, the "Dickens Christmas Carol" was presented by members of the 8A division under the direction of Miss Twomey. Michael Zirolli had the lead as Scrooge and was ably supported by Conrad Pare who took the part of Fred, and Henry Buika who played the part of Bob Cratchett.

On February 10 we had a bon-voyage assembly in honor of Miss Twomey. She was leaving us for a two month's period to take a Mediterranean Cruise. Mr. Angelica became our substitute.

On February 14 everyone was very busy opening their valentines—even the

teachers.

March 18. Latest news flash! After a season of hard playing the Higgins basketball squad won the championship trophy. The most outstanding players were Stanley Zareski and Stephen Triolo.

In the latter part of March we started to work on our "Golden Jubilee Minstrel" under the direction of Miss Browne and Miss Stewart. After many weeks of hard work the minstrel was presented on April 19. Henry Buika, John Rarus, Josephine Curry, Albert Baronian, and Anna Scavatto gave outstanding performances as endmen.

On May 10 Mr. White announced the highest honors of the Class of 1939. Wanda Parvelac was valedictorian and Fannie Tomaszek was salutatorian. Twenty-six students made high honors and thirty-five were honor students.

June 8. News from the Home Economics Department! Under the direction of Miss Smith the fashion show in the form of an operetta "The Suzanne Shop" was presented to an appreciative audience. There were thirty-four girls in the cast.

June 14 finds an excited and happy group gathered for the Class Day exercises. Class statistics, class will, class prophecy and class history are part of the tradition of Class Day.

June 15. A day full to the brim with fun as we enjoy our class picnic at

Mountain Park.

June 20 brings us to the culmination of our two years work. Graduation is a solemn, yet joyous occasion as we receive our diplomas which entitle us to become alumni of our beloved Higgins School. In bringing to a close the review of our class history we pledge ourselves anew to our motto: "Try, Trust, and Triumph."

Gene Furey, Bertha Gracewski, Class Historians.

Class Prophecy

Date—June, 1939. Time—12:00.

Place—Hecate's cave. Characters — Gladys Bonk, Leonar

Landry and Clairvoyant Hecate.
Setting — Around a large crystal sits
Gladys, Leonard and Hecate.

Gladys—Hecate, I have come to inquire what the future holds for my classmates.

Leonard—Tell us, is it triumph or failure in this complex modern world that

awaits them.

Hecate—To be sure. I shall please thee, and now, what hath the magic crystal to give us?

(Here Hecate performs some solemn gestures and proceeds to tell the career of the class.)

John Sanger is destined to become head surgeon at the Springfield Hospital.

Joseph Geurrandino will become the publisher of a volume entitled "A Thousand and One Scotch Jokes."

Stephen Trioli will someday play with the New York Yankees.

Cosmo Galluccio is destined to become head mechanic for Louis Chevrolet. Ruth Morrison will become Dentist

William O'Brien's private nurse.

Theodore Bomely will be chauffeur for
Mayor Charles Reynolds of New York
City

Gene Furey is destined to become secretary to President Michael Panella of the Richardson paper mill.

Achille Secondo will be seen in the shoemaker shop fixing shoes.

Lucyan Augustyniak will become a draftsman and paint portraits as a hobby.

hobby.

Harold Therrian will become a priest.

Helen Sredzinski will find a position as

Official Hostess for out-of-town buyers of sheet music.

Sidney Bushnell will occupy the exalted position of commander of a Navy submarine.

Albert Baronian will succeed Paderewski in the musical world.

Michael Zirolli is destined to become pilot of a trans-continental cabin monoplane.

Edward Duda is to become a designer of frocks for school and office wear which can be donned in a second with a nose powdering thrown in for good measure. This benefaction is to save mankind from having to wait for ladies to get ready.

Farmer Francis Lutwinas will raise the largest ear of corn ever grown.

Henry Buika will succeed eventually to Editor of the Saturday Evening Post.

Thomas Barber will become a very good pole climber and incidentally an electrician.

Rita O'Brien will achieve success when she obtains a position as a tutor for a group of little Spaniards. Her business will be to teach them to cook Spanish onions correctly.

Our Walter Buika will be "Bingo the Strong Man" for Barnum and Bailey

Circus.

Irene Ludwin will do a lot of dancing. You see it runs in the family.

Benny Bak will attain great heights as a window washer in New York.

Little *Helen Dynia* will be the author of a new banana song, "Hanging Out with the Bunch."

Virginia Salley will write children's fables and poems.

First a farmer, then a butter and egg man, Francis Siemonoko will be the head of a cheese concern.

Barbara Schoolcraft will be a teacher of science and will specialize in electricity.

Donald Richards will make a great hit with his voice.

Richard Moody will become a very famous yatchsman.

Joe Bayak will be the discoverer of a sure preventive of common colds. Henry Bellinger will become famous as

a dealer in hosiery that will not run.

Francis Fay will be the first to manufacture television apparatus at popular prices.

Jack Iacolino will become the champion heavyweight boxer in the United States.

Conrad Pare will be the editor of the lovelorn column in the New York Times.

Mary Rinaldi will occupy the position as a reporter for The Daily Blab. Wanda Parvelac will become the tennis

champion of the United States.

Jeanette Gamache will cut a remarkable

figure in the Fifth Avenue shops. She will be a dressmaker.

Matthew Deleo will take over his father's

position as owner of a candy store. Edward Knight will be a famed scientist who will find a new element of heat.

Leonard Landry will some day supply the whole town with false teeth. Shirley Moore is destined to marry a

millionaire.

Frank Zaczynski will own a restaurant and will employ Bertha Gracewski, Ella Raffia and Genevieve Podosek as

hostesses.

Ignario Bonelli will be engaged by the Government to finger print everybody whether guilty or not. He will have a large staff of assistants includ-ing Francis Pradrevita, John Hias, Francis Hanks, Stanley Sarno and Sammy Picone.

Frances Fiore is destined to be the county librarian in a remote section of the Rocky Mountains with Aspacia

Kamoros as assistant.

Edward Maxellon will eventually become Secretary of the United States Navy. Congetta and Donetta Ruggiero are to

run a unique gift shop carrying suitable presents for people you don't like. Miriam Ryan will become a successful

beauty shop owner.

Lucine Croteau is destined to be a great literary light and will write criticisms of the new movies for Life.

Irene Wojciezek will invent a lipstick that isn't transferable from lip to

cheek.

Victoria Poleski will have in her possession the most beautiful pearl in the

world.

Fannie Tomaszek will be a brilliant mathematician. She attributes her success to the heavy studying she did in Room 7 while at Higgins.

Walter Wosko will succeed Jack Benny

playing the violin.

Milton Landry will become the chief of

police in Thompsonville.

Frances Kukulka is destined to own an Interior Decorating establishment and will employ George Maylott and Edward Stone as painters.

Jean Tomaka will make the grandest

pretzels. She learned how from Chef Kennedy of the Waldorf Astoria.

James Kiley will swim the English channel twice—doing the backstroke.

Joe Angelica and Warren Haight will

work on a method to make doughnuts without holes.

Charles La Grange will go to Alaska to sell refrigerators to the Eskimos.

James Marino is destined to become a

judge in a Colorado court.

John Krawiec will run a small hardware

shop. Jennie Ludwin will make pants for boys

who must play marbles.

Jerry Maniscalchi will succeed in climbing one of the highest mountains in Switzerland.

Ann Purdy will compose a new wedding march.

Allen Caswell will become sheriff of a small town in Montana.

Frank Alaimo will become owner of a bus company with Harris Hicks as a driver.

Barbara Peterka will win a beauty prize at Porto Rico.

Helen Zareski will someday be the manager of a large department store.

Teddy Dubish and Lawrence Lynch will be her floorwalkers.

Joseph Wenc will perfect a beautiful motor bicycle. It will travel 120 miles in two hours.

Eva Piotrowski is destined to be the originator of a short course in church

housekeeping for sextons.

John Bania will take over his father's coal and oil business.

Anthony Scavatto's fate is to spend his years installing radios and electric refrigerators.

Virginia Young is to conduct a correspondence course in non-fattening deli-cacies for Tea Room proprietors.

John Ward will become very rich through the invention of a silencer for back seat drivers which *Henry Milkowski* will manufacture for Ames and Baker

Novelty Co.

Dorothy Zito, Stella Zych and Esther
Santa Croce will be dancers in Donald Karcz's Review.

Donald Robinson will become the manager of the "Rarus Hotel." Charles Scalia is destined to become the

leader of an orchestra. Edith Magill will become a famous ac-

tress in Hollywood. Robert Martin will give illustrated lec-

tures on his big game hunts.

James Laughlin will become a brakeman on the New Haven Railroad.

Helen Lasiewicz will occupy the position of ticket salesgirl in the Strand Theatre.

Joseph Luicci will be a salesman for the Karona Baking Co. owned by Sophie and Walter Karona.

Tony Calcasola will be a taxi driver for the Christi Cab Co.

Sadie Mancuso is destined to become a school teacher specializing in Litera-

Anna Scavatto is to become internationally known as the designer of stuffed animals for nursery population which Carl Hanke will sell.

Stanley Zareski will be selected as the special Ivory Soap Carver for the

Queen of Roumania.

Helen Sypek will make a fortune as the inventor of a collapsible kitchenette which can be carried around in the pocket, slide under a bed or will shut up like an accordion and hang on the wall.

Angelo Scicolini will be an importer and dealer in fancy fish for pools and

aquariums.

Paul Mancini will be the author of a successful book on Personality and Power.



CLASS OFFICERS —Photo by Brown (Left to right) Henry Buika, President; Gene Furey, Secretary; Sidney Bushnell, Vice-President.



A. D. HIGGINS GLEE CLUB

—Photo by Brown

In the Bigelow Sanford office you will find Ruth Greenblat, Gladys Bonk, Nina D'Amaro, Grace Pindaro, Rose Misuraca, Anita Ragno, Helen Mo-krycki and Jennie Sarno.

Mary Angelica will run a small bookshop

on Main Street.

Robert Belisle will be a guide in the Yellowstone National Park.

Anthony Caronna will be manager of the

Metropolitan Opera House.

Mary Caronna will run a dancing school for bashful boys. Dora Cormier, Eileen Colton and Josephine Curry will be instructors.

Rosalie D'Aleo will be treasurer of her

father's store.

Joseph De Forge will become a society

writer for the Daily News.

Michalina Dusza and Josephine Digregorio will become heads of a girl's college.

Edith Del Aquilla will become a famous

collector of stamps.

Josephine Fiore will be head waitress at the Giaccone & Iacolina Grill.

Stella Gumineiak and Lillian Gebo will be reporters for the Thompsonville Daily News owned by Edward Kazmerski and John Raissi. Fred Turner will have a detective agency. He will hire two office girls, Bernice Lehmen and Doris Landry.

Ann Bissland will tell stories over the radio, written by Joseph Krazewski. Edward Matyskiela will be a radio comedian.

Paul Pasalaqua and Ernest Petrone will work in a fire tower on Somers Moun-

Josephine and Mary Vella will be heard on the radio as the singing sisters. *Helen Wlotkowski* will run a boarding house in Springfield.

(Hecate once more waved her hands

over the crystal ball and looked up.)
Hecate: That is all the crystal ball will tell me. Have you all the information you need?

Leonard: Yes, thank you. We can now write the Class Prophecy.

Back to school with glee we went And many, many hours we spent In writing what we heard for you And we hope you believe that it's all very true.

> Gladys Bonk, Leonard Landry.

"Try, Trust, Triumph"

VALEDICTORY

According to the usual custom, our class has chosen a motto to guide us in the years to come. This motto, "Try, Trust, Triumph," displayed above us in our class colors of blue and gold, has a place of honor in the stage decorations this evening. However, these words do much more than merely add beauty to our graduation exercises. They are more than empty words chosen for their pleasing sound or colorful offer. They are ing sound or colorful effect. They are more than words to be remembered only during graduation week. In fact, as time goes on, the meaning of our motto and its application to our lives should become increasingly clear. These words, "Try, Trust, Triumph." encourage vs to think of what we hope to do, and how we shall work to attain our ambitions. With our work to attain our ambitions. With our motto in mind, we graduates look forward to new adventures and achievements.

These words apply not only to the future, but also to the past years spent in the A. D. Higgins School, with all the tasks and pleasures that they have presented. Is not our graduation here tonight proof in itself of our triumph?

Only through trying and trusting, however, did we finally reach this goal.

Although our graduation tonight may seem to mark a high point in our prog-ress thus far, it is only a beginning for further training to prepare us for useful work ahead. With our motto, "Try, Trust, Triumph," to guide us, we should be able to complete the hardest tasks successfully, just as many other people have overcome great difficulties and triumphed, because they learned how to try and try again, and to have faith that their work would not be in vain. Since the theme of our graduation is Pan-Americanism, it is appropriate to consider the achievements of two men whose engineering and medical skill made possible the construction and use of the Panama Canal.

One of the men to whom I refer is Col. William Crawford Gorgas, M. D., known during his life as the only high officer in the United States army who fought all the time, battling not against hostile regiments, but with disease breeding insects. To him is due almost entire credit for the sanitary condition of the Panama Zone. - Continued after Graduates

Graduates of 1939



Frank Alaimo, "Limo"

Frank is very studious at times, But once in a while, a little mischief he finds.

George Ames, "Junior"

I never have much to say, But I do a lot of thinking.

Joseph Angelica, "Joe" Honor Student

Joe is a nice fellow, as you can see, And he often trades stamps with you and me.

Mary Angelica

Not too serious, yet not too gay; She strikes a happy medium.

Lucyan Augustyniak

High Honor Student, Camera Club

Lucyan Augustyniak is excellent at art, And in other activities plays well his part.

Benny Bak, "Bunny"

Camera Club

Watch out for this little man, 'Cause Benny is a camera fan.

Grandville Baker, "Granny"

Camera Club, Student Council, Baseball

Good nature brings many friends.

John Bania

Basketball

John Bania is what you might call a girl's dream, But when near a lass, how bashful he seems!

Thomas E. Barber, "Doggie"

Happy go lucky, fair and free, There is nothing that bothers me.

Albert Baronian, "Geese"

Honor Student, Glee Club

Here is a boy with big brown eyes, Who is always getting a surprise.

Joseph Bayek, "Joe"

Honor Student, Basketball, Baseball, Camera Club

Joseph Bayek is thin and tall, Always happy while playing ball.

Robert Belisle, "Spook"

When you meet a boy with a friendly smile, Look again and you'll see that it's Robert Belisle.

Henry Bellinger

High Honor Student

His varied abilities are worth praising, And his success in school work is amazing.

Ann Matheson Bissland, "Bizzy"

Glee Club, Home Economics Club

A sociable girl, with an interest in art, And a very good sport who wins your heart.

Theodore Bomely, "Ted"

Member of Student Council

Theodore is tall and straight, And walks with a very dignified gait.

Ignario Bonelli, "Iggie"

A pilot "Iggie" wants to be; Perhaps he will make history.

Gladys Bonk

Home Economics Club, High Honor Student, Class Prophecy

"Still water runs deep."

Walter Buika, "Celey"

A jolly old chap, who is lots of fun, Is always glad when his work is done.





Henry Buika, "Binks"

President of Class, Tatler Staff, Baseball, Basketball, Glee Club, Camera Club, High Honor Student

High Honors upon Henry we bestow, But away to Cathedral he's going to go.

Sidney Bushnell, "Bush"

Vice-President of Class, Tatler Staff, Student Council, High Honor Student

If we had his humor, brains and smile, We'd be happy like Sidney, all the while.

Tony Calcasola

Tony never exerts himself to run, But you'll always find him where there's fun.

Anthony Caronna, "Tony"

What's that noise out in the hall? Why it's "Tony" paying us a call.

Mary Caronna

High Honor Student, Librarian, Basketball

Basketball is Mary's best game, On most committees we see her name.

Allen Caswell, "Casie"

A little nonsense now and then, Is relished by the best of men.

Eileen Colton, "Iky"

Just being happy is a fine thing to do, Looking on the bright side rather than the blue.

Dora Cormier, "Dot"

Dora is a quiet lass, And never, never disturbs our class.

Joseph Christie, "Tiger"

When you see Steve—look for Joe, They're together wherever they go.

Lucine Croteau, "Lou"

Glee Club, Honor Student Lucine Croteau has a lovely voice, In minstrel shows she's our choice.

Josephine Curry, "Jo"

Glee Club, Student Council

Josephine's a clever and a friendly lass, We're glad that she's a member of our 8B2 class.

Rosalie D'Aleo, "Roe"

Glee Club, High Honor Student

"It is our actual work which determines our value."

Nina D'Amato, "Mena" Home Economics Club

Nina is a winsome lass, One of the nicest in our class.

Joseph Deforge, "Fudge"

He does his work and tries his best, Success is waiting for Joseph yet.

Edith Dell Aquila

Student Council

A fine student, a fine pal, a fine girl.

Josephine Digregorio, "Jo"

Home Economics Club

As a friend, she'll always be true, Because Josephine is never blue.

Matthew Dileo, "Matty"

Chatter, chatter, everywhere, You may be sure "Matty" is there.

Theodore Dubish, "Tidder"

"Let's have some fun," I said to Teddy, And you can bet he was right there ready,

Edward Duda, "Eddie"

Baseball

He's eager to get his work all done, So he can begin to have some fun.

Michaline Ann Dusza, "Micky"

Honor Student, Librarian, Student Council

Bright and friendly, merry and gay, She works in the library every day.





Helen Dynia

Glee Club, Home Economics Club, High Honor

Red haired and cute—small of size, But according to ranks she's very wise.

Francis Henry Fay, "Fran"

Honor Student, Camera Club, Secretary of Student Council

A popular leader, a true, loyal friend, Who has done fine things for his school without end.

Frances Fiore, "Fran" Honor Student, Librarian

She is talented in every way, And in the library helps each day.

Josephine Fiore, "Joe"

Happy am I; from care I'm free; Why aren't they all contented like me?

Gene Furey

Tatler Staff, High Honor Student, Class History, Vice-President Student Council, Secretary Class of 1939, Home Economics Club

As you can see she is a popular lass. And an excellent secretary to our class.

Cosimo Galluccio

Either I will find a way or I will make one.

Jeannette Gamache, "Jen"

Baseball, Basketball

Jeannette is our champion at basketball.
A. D. Higgins will miss her in the games next fall.

Lillian Gebo

Lillian is a quiet member, But she's one we will remember.

Joseph Geurrandino, "Joe"

Witty, jolly and carefree, Always happy as can be.

Nicholas Giaccone, "Nick"

Orchestra

Nicholas Giaccone who plays the violin, May some day be a Rubinoff twin.

Bertha Gracewski

Tatler Staff, High Honor Student, Glee Club, Home Economics Club, Baseball, Class History "A laugh is worth a hundred groans in

Ruth Greenblatt, "Ruthie"

any market.

Honor Student

Doing crossword puzzles is her delight, When her school work is all done right.

Stella Guminiak, "Steff"

Glee Club

Stella is pretty and has a sweet voice, For a very nice girl she is everyone's choice.

Warren Haight, "Wa Wa" High Honor Student

Warren with his curley hair, Never has a worry, never a care.

Carl Hanke

Carl Hanke who is always very gay, May become an aviator of fame some day.

Francis Hanks, "Mike"

Honor Student

A human dictionary he is said to be, If you have a hard word he's the one to see.

John Hias, "Mel Ott"

Glee Club

Why is John so bashful and shy? The girls all hope that he'll change bye and bye.

Harris H. Hicks, "Harry"

Basketball, Student Council

Harris does his work in his own quiet way,
For him we've many a word of praise to say.

Jack Iacolino, "Jakie"

To keep our 8B2 room happy and gay, We have Jack to entertain us in many a way.

Joseph Iacolino, "Spike"

A light heart lives a long time.





Aspacia Kamaros

Honor Student, Glee Club, Librarian

Aspacia does her work with a song, And has been on the honor roll all along.

Donald Karcz, "Deek"

Camera Club, Honor Student Quick as a rabbit, and tho' very short, In any game he is a good sport.

Edward Kazmerski, "Kazy" Glee Club. Camera Club

Edward Kazmerski has nice blue eyes, To make his friends happy he always tries.

Robert Kennedy, "Rocky" Member of Student Council

A very keen eye for girls, has he, This president of Class 8C!

James Kiley, "Jimmie" Tatler Staff, Glee Club, Honor Student

He's talkative and witty, this boy called Jim, Each member of our class thinks a lot of him.

Edward Knight Honor Student

In Science class he's at his best, And does good work in all the rest.

Sophie Korona

For her cheerfulness Sophie is known, Her list of friends has steadily grown.

Walter Korona

To study hard is Walter's game, Too bad others can't do the same.

Joseph Krajewski, "Splits"

Camera Club

Joe, who is always telling jokes, Tries very hard to please his folks.

John Krawiec, "Mouse"

A boy with a smile, Is a boy worthwhile.

Frances Kukulka

Tatler Staff, Home Economics Club, Glee Club, High Honor Student

Reliable, honest and trustworthy and all, Enfield High will welcome her next fall,

Charles La Grange, "Chick"

"Chick" has always been sporty and fine, And art work has been right in his line.

Doris Landry, "Dot" Home Economics Club

She has curly brown hair and a husky voice, When school is done, "Dot" will rejoice!

Leonard Landry

Glee Club, Tatler Staff, Class Prophecy, High Honor Student Leonard is small and has brown eyes, Witty and lively for his size.

Milton Landry, "Milt"

Camera Club, Member of Student Council

Not too serious, not too gay, A good fellow in every way.

Helen Theresa Lasievicz, "Lassie" Glee Club

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Here's a girl with a lovely smile, Who has thoughts that are worthwhile.

James Laughlin, "Jim"

James has a very pleasing smile, That makes the things he does worthwhile.

Bernice Lehmann, "Bern"

In school she is always quiet, But when at home, she starts a riot.

Joseph Liucci, "Flip"

Joseph is always ready for fun, Sometimes before his work is done.

Irene Ludwin, "I"

Home Economics Club

Irene's quiet and very sweet, A nicer girl you'll never meet.





Jennie Ludwin, "Luddie"

Sometimes serious and sometimes gay, But we like her anyway.

Francis Lutwinas, "Junior"

Camera Club, Honor Student

"A man of gladness seldom falls into madness.

Lawrence Lynch

Lawrence is never in a hurry, And about his work, he never worries.

Edith Magill, "Teedee" Honor Student, Glee Club

Edith is cute, Edith is sweet; She's the one you're glad to greet.

Paul Mancini, "Pope"

Glee Club, Baseball

Paul Mancini is always teasing, But in spite of this, his ways are pleasing.

Sylvia Mancuso, "Sadie"

Honor Student

"Sadie" has brown eyes and curly hair, And an interest in sports that is very rare.

Gerald Maniscalchi, "Jerry"

Always ready,

Always there, Always ready to do his share.

James V. Marino, "Scorp"

How James Marino likes to play, But he's on time every day.

Robert Martin, "Bobby"

Camera Club

"Bobbie" is another picture taker, Maybe some day, he'll take them for the paper.

Edward Matyskiela, "Marksie"

Camera Club

This blonde is known for mischief and such, But everyone likes him very much.

Edward Maxellon, "Eddie"

Member of Student Council.

Edward Maxellon, a very small boy, Is always happy and full of joy.

George Maylott, "Skipper"

George is a witty and humorous boy, And in cracking jokes he's the real "McCoy."

Henry Milkowski, "Milky"

Glee Club

Henry is of great renown, For he is like a professional clown.

Rose Misuraca

Rose is pretty and very sweet, All her work is oh—so neat.

Helen Mary Mokrycki

Honor Student, Member of Student Council

This capable girl does all her work well And finds time for fun, as her friends will tell.

Richard Moody, "Whiffie"

Richard should be an inventor some day; If he does he'll receive much pay.

Shirley Moore, "Shirl"

Glee Club, Secretary of Student Council, President of Home Economics Club

In popularity and helpfulness she rates high,
She's as welcome as sunshine from the sky.

Ruth Morrison

High Honor Student

"It is good to be unselfish and generous.

Rita O'Brien, "O. B."

Glee Club

Rita has such pleasing ways, They brighten even the darkest days.

William O'Brien, "Billy"

High Honor Student, Tatler Staff, Baseball

Witty, clever and friendly is "Billy' Serious minded, not one bit silly.





Francis Padrevita, "Chee Chee" Camera Club

Francis is a quiet lad, You'll never see him glum or sad.

Michael Panella, "Mike"

Basketball, Student Council

Michael Panella has athletic skill, And he plays to win with all his will.

Conrad Pare, "Connie"

Baseball, Honor Student

"Fine manners are the mantle of fair minds."

Wanda Parvelac

Tatler Staff, Home Economics Club, Valedictorian

She's led her class—it was her aim, And is in all activities just the same.

Paul Passalacqua, "Pope"

Paul with eyes of darkest brown, Likes to smile instead of frown.

Barbara Peterka, "Bobby"

Glee Club, Home Economics Club

Barbara Peterka is lovely and sweet, To hear her sing is a pleasant treat.

Ernest Petrone, "Pep"

Happy-go-lucky and oh! so small, But in collecting stamps he beats them all.

Sammy Picone

Sammy Picone likes to fool; He's always breaking some school rule.

Grace Pindaro

Grace is very quiet in school, With the pupils she never does fool.

Eva Piotrowski

High Honor Student

Politeness is to do and say The kindest thing in the kindest way.

Genevieve Podosek, "Gen" Tatler Staff, High Honor

Student

"A friend in need is a friend indeed."

Victoria Poleski, "Vicky" Glee Club, Student Council

Always so pleasant and never blue, Victoria wears a smile the whole day through.

Ann Purdy Glee Club

To know her once is to like her always.

Ella Raffia

Tatler Staff. High Honor Student

Pretty to look at and lovely to be with.

Anita Ragno

Ever loyal, ever true, To the task She has to do.

John Raissi

Baseball, Camera Club, Tatler Staff, High Honor Student

"Heaven helps him who helps himself."

John Rarus

Glee Club, Honor Student

The songs of birds, their colors and names Lead this lover of nature down many lanes.

Miriam Ryan

Glee Club, Vice-President Home Economics Club

Miriam is jolly and full of fun, She's always very willing when there's work to be done.

Charles Reynolds, "Chick" Baseball

Charles is a classmate of whom we are proud, His courtesy makes him stand out in a

Donald Richards, "Don"

Glee Club, Camera Club

When Donald sings, our cares disappear, He's known for making merry here.





Earl Richardson

President of Student Council, Honor Student

Inspiration comes from Earl, they say, As he leads the prayer each day.

Mary Rinaldi High Honor

"It is the quiet worker who succeeds."

Donald Robinson, "Donnie" Camera Club

Donald likes to take candid shots, And he snaps your picture—ready or not.

Concetta Ruggiero

Member of Student Council, Glee Club

Polite and honest is this lass, Who's well-liked by all her class.

Donetta Ruggiero, "Donnie" Home Economics Club

Here's a girl with never a care, But she's always willing to do her share.

Virginia Salley, "Vee"

Tatler Staff, Glee Club, High Honor

Helpful and sweet with a poetic mind, Another like Virginia you cannot find.

John Sanger, "Johnny"

Dr. Sanger he hopes to be, And some day may take care of you and me.

Esther Santa Croce, "Pat"

Student Council

Esther wants to fly a plane, We hope that she'll reach Lindbergh's fame.

Jennie Sarno

Home Economics Club

Jennie Sarno is a pretty girl, Her hair has such a natural curl.

Stanley Sarno, "Professor"

Glee Club

Everytime we hear him sing, It makes us feel we want to swing.

Charles Scalia, "Chick"

Of all the games—Basketball Is the one Charles likes best of all.

Anna Scavotto

Music and sports interest this girl, She'll make a hit in the social whirl.

Anthony Scavotto, "Buddy"

Anthony Scavotto is good at swimming, When he's in a race the others get a trimming.

Barbara Schoolcraft, "Barb" Honor Student, Orchestra

She is always so kind and sweet, A truer friend you cannot meet.

Angelo Scicolone

Camera Club

A smile for each, a friend to all.

Archille Secondo, "Kelly"

Manager Basketball, High Honor Student

Polishes cars and gives a good shoe shine, All this service for a dime.

Francis Siemionko

Vegetables and tobacco Francis will raise, And for his farm will receive much praise.

Helen Sredzinski, "Blondie" Honor Student

Tall, slender, with youthful grace, Fair of hair and fair of face.

Edward Stone, "Stonewall Jackson"

A quiet lad is Edward Stone, Never eager to make himself known.

Helen Sypeck

Whether its in work or play, Helen helps in every way.





Harold Therrien, "Harold Teen"

Glee Club, Tatler Staff, Class Will, High Honor Student

"Honor to whom honor is due."

Jean Tomaka

Orchestra

On the violin Jean plays soft and sweet,
When we listen to her we get quite a treat.

Fannie Tomaszek

Tatler Staff, Home Economics Club, Salutatorian

With her very fine mind and helpful way, In Miss Twomey's thoughts she'll always stay.

Stephen Triolo, "T-bone"

Baseball, Basketball, Member of Student Council

The class athlete you here meet; In all kinds of sports he knows no defeat.

Frederick E. Turner, "Fred"

It is the quiet man who succeeds.

Josephine Vella, "Peppy"

Josephine has curly hair, And the latest hair styles she wears.

Mary Vella, "May"

Sometimes serious, sometimes gay, With the boys she has a way.

John Ward, "Jackie"

Camera Club, Honor Student

Big of mind but small in size, The cheerful way is no disguise.

Joseph Wenc

Honor Student

From a little spark may burst a mighty flame.

Helen Wlotkowski

Helen, who comes on the King Street bus, Rarely ever makes a fuss.

Walter Wosko, "Waler"

Orchestra

Walter is so neat and smart, In school, his favorite subject is art.

Irene Wojcieszek, "I"

You will never see Irene shirk, That's why she's good in all her work.

Virginia Ruth Young, "Bunny"

Glee Club, Home Economics Club

Small in size and full of fun, She says "Hello" to everyone.

Frank Zaczynski, "S. O. S."

Student Council

When it comes to talking Frank is right on top, And when he once gets started, it's hard to make him stop.

Helen Zareski

Wherever Helen is, she brings delight, With her gentle ways and her smile so bright.

Stanley Zareski, "Stan"

Glee Club, Basketball

Stanley Zareski excels in every game, But it was in basketball he won his fame.

Dorothy Zito, "Dot"

Ever loyal, ever true, To the task She has to do.

Michael Zirolli, "Mike Zero"

Basketball, Baseball, Glee Club, Camera Club, Honor Student

"To be strong is to be happy."

Stella M. Zych, "Steffie"

Stella looks like a quiet one, But is always ready for a little fun.



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The Canal Zone was possibly the most unhealthful and unsanitary spot in the two Americas where white men were forced to live, and Gorgas' work in wiping out yellow fever had to begin with fundamentals. Disease - breeding filth was cleaned up, marshes were drained, houses were screened against the infection - carrying mosquito, and within an incredibly short time the Zone was transformed from a deadly section into an area where men might live and work without danger to their health. It has been estimated that in the ten years the Canal was built he saved more than 70,000 lives and \$80,000,000.

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Gorgas thus had a part in the construction of the Canal comparing favorably with that taken by the great engineer, Goethals, for engineering ability would have failed to accomplish the undertaking, as it did in the attempt of the great Frenchman, De Lesseps, had it not been for Col. Gorgas' triumph over the age-long forces of disease and death.

Equally marvelous was the work done by General Goethals and his troops of engineers and workmen, with their giant American excavators, dredges, and other machines, which excelled those of De Lesseps as much as the medical science of Gorgas exceeded that of the earlier French medical officers. Henceforth for ten years one could have seen such a sight as the world perhaps had never witnessed since the building of the Pyramids or the Great Wall of China. The digging and dredging, and the building of concrete walls went on in the face incessant difficulties, such as earthof incessant difficulties, such as earthquakes, floods and disease. Then on October 10, 1913, President Wilson, 4000 miles away in the White House, pressed an electric button, and the Panama Canal was a dream realized. For the United States and its sister American republics, the opening of the Canal was the inauguration of a great new Pan-American era of commerce, friendship, and peace.

The poem, "Goethals: The Prophet Engineer", written at the completion of the great undertaking, is a hymn of praise for him who, through "Trying and Trusting", triumphed where others had failed. I shall quote the first and last

stanzas:

"A man went down to Panama
Where many a man had died
To slit the sliding mountains
And lift the eternal tide;
A man stood up in Panama,
And the oceans stood aside.

So nevermore the tropic routes
Need poleward warp and veer,
But on through the Gates of Goethals
The steady keels shall steer,

Where the tribes of men are led toward peace

By the prophet-engineer."

We have seen how, but for their persistence and faith, Gorgas and Goethals might easily have been defeated in their great task. Many were the times when we, too, seemed almost to fail and we would have become discouraged had it not been for our trust in our teachers, and their trust in us. It was through their efforts, as well as our own, that we have finished the work of the first eight grades.

Therefore, on behalf of the Higgins School graduates, I wish to express deep appreciation to our teachers, to our principal, Mr. White, to Mr. Parkman, Superintendent of Schools, and also to our parents, who have all done so much for us. Let us hope that their efforts in our behalf will be well rewarded by our worthwhile achievements. If we follow faithfully the first two steps of our motto by trying hard and by trusting in ourselves and others, we shall surely triumph.

Wanda Parvelac.

Prizes

The members of the graduating class of 1939 are eligible for several prizes given by organizations and individuals.

In memory of Alvin D. Higgins, prizes will be given to the two students attaining the highest rank in scholarship. The highest ranking student will have his name engraved on the scholarship plaque which hangs in the lower corridor of the school. This student will also receive a scholarship key.

Two prizes of five dollars each will be given by the Woman's Club of Enfield to the students ranking highest in Mathematics and English.

Through the generosity of one of our cherished friends, a prize of two and one-half dollars will be given to the boy and girl making the greatest improvement in Penmanship and Dictation.

To the student ranking highest in American History the Veteran's of Foreign Wars will present five dollars.

On behalf of the school, Mr. White will present two and one-half dollars to the pupil who has shown the most improvement. To the one who is selected as the best citizen of the school goes a bronze key in addition to two and one-half dollars in money.

To the outstanding athlete is presented a medal.



TATLER STAFF

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BOYS' BASKETBALL

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Class Will

Mr. Parkman, Mr. White, teachers and friends:

The Class of 1939, on the eve of her departure from this planet, extends to you her final farewell.

At the request of our most noble client, the Class of 1939, of the A. D. Higgins School, Town of Enfield, State of Conn. U. S. A., we have summoned you to this auditorium, that you may hear her will and receive her gifts. Being on the very threshold of death,

with so many affairs of great importance to be attended to, the Class of 1939 deems it best to distribute with her own hands the precious gifts that are hers to bestow. She trusts that you will ac-cept said gifts as sacred tokens of a great and outstanding class which has passed on to her reward.

Hark, one and all, while the document is being read as duly drawn up and

sworn to.

We the Class of 1939, of the Alvin D. Higgins School being about to pass from this world of education, do make and publish this, our last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all former wills by us heretofore made.

Primarily, we do direct that our funeral services be conducted with pomp and circumstance, and with the dignity that we have at all times displayed.

We request that said services be conducted by the principal, the faculty and

our friends.

Fully conscious in our dying hours, we realize that our time upon this world is limited. Therefore we do wish to distribute among our dear friends our most admirable and distinctive qualities. We do dispose of the same as follows:

Item:

We give and bequeath to our beloved Superintendent, Mr. Edgar H. Parkman our true appreciation for the inspiration he has ever given to us.

Item:

We give and bequeath to our beloved faculty our heartfelt gratitude for all they have done for us and all the unusual and quite remarkable information which we have imparted to them in our oral discussions and written exams.

All the pupils of the eighth grade who have made an improvement in health leave a record of such improvement to Miss Sullivan. We feel that it will please her greatly to have a permanent record of our dental work done, tonsils removed, eye glasses fitted, and gains made in weight and height.

Item:

We give and bequeath to the seventh grade pupils Wanda Parvelac's and Fannie Tomaszek's knowledge in all branches of learning.

To all the future classes we relinquish the privileges we have enjoyed during our blissful years at the A. D. Higgins School.

Item:

Certain individuals of the Class of 1939 make the following bequests:

1. To Edward Carroll. Augustyniak leaves his drawing talent. 2. Donald Richards leaves a very promising voice to Janice Ryan.

3. Geraldine Snyder receives a long list of boyfriends from Ann Bissland.

We're sure she'll use them.
4. Mary Karona, Michalina Dusza, Frances Fiore are leaving their efficient work as librarians to some conscientious girls in seventh grade.
5. Rita O'Brien leaves her vanity to

Virginia Vail.

6. Henry Buika leaves a multitude of freckles to Robert Goodwin. We know that they will be more than sufficient.

7. Earl Richardson leaves his sunny disposition and executive ability to the next president of 8A.

8. Harold Therrien and Benny Bak

leave their job as industrious milk peddlers to John Olko and Raymond Ligenza.

Donald Brown receives Michael Zirolli's boxing ability. Perhaps he will be able to use it in the eighth grade.

10. To anyone whom they will fit, Conrad Pare leaves his size ten shoes.

11. Shirley Moore leaves her charm

to Claire Rush. Boyfriends will like it. 12. Albert Baronian leaves his endman ability to Lucy Angelica.

13. To any benighted seventh graders who will accept it, Gene Furey leaves

her problems as class secretary.

14. The conduct book opens its pages for an autograph which is not welcome. 15. John Raissis gladly leaves his French book to anyone who intends to be as bright a scholar as Johnny is.

16. To Carlo De Caro, Donnetta Ruggiero leaves her weight—which is

pleasingly plump.

17. Lillian Gebo leaves her tomboy

manners to Shirley Landry.

18. Stella Gumineiak leaves her evening gowns to whom they will fit in the seventh grade. Someone will surely like them.

19. To John O'Brien, Steven Triola leaves his all-round ability in sports.

20. Cosimo Galluccio leaves his debo-

nair air to Carlton Oliver.

21. Nicholas Giaccone and Walter Wasko leave their singing violins to some future Rubinoffs in the seventh grade.

Barbara Peterka leaves her low,

sweet voice to Zelda Lackey.

23. Florence Moshetti receives a pair of sprightly tap dancing shoes from Irene Ludwin.

24. Leonard Landry bequeaths his booming voice to some baritone in sev-

enth grade.

25. Bertha Gracewski leaves her giggles to Jean O'Brien for making a class

more lively.
26. "A word to the wise is sufficient." John Rarus departs with these few words "Don't fail to prepare your homework."

27. Dorothy Zito leaves many inches of height to Eleanor Marchingkiveg. 28. Milton Landry leaves his

ciency as a traffic monitor to Robert

Finnan.

29. James Kiley leaves a continual flow of words to John Flaherty, John will never be at a loss for words.

30. Adeline Cimino receives

Raffia's clusters of curls.

The subjoined list will be recognized as entailed estates, to which we do de-clare the Class of 1940 the real and rightful successors.

1. Our school spirit. May you spread the fame of A. D. Higgins far and wide by deeds and conduct worthy of her

name at all times.

2. Our school books. May you receive from them the knowledge which will enlighten you. May you survive the knowledge that we received from them.

3. We now bequeath to you our choicest possessions—our teachers. May you receive from them a store of knowledge and heritage of loyalty and faith in

the principles of good citizenship.
All our property not hereintofore disposed of, we bequeath to our beloved principal, Mr. White to dispose of as he sees fit. It is our pleasure that Mr. White be the sole executor of this, our last Will and Testament. In witness whereof, we do hereby set our hand and seal, this twentieth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine.

> Martha D. Graham, Lena M. Angelica, Esther H. Smyth, Witnesses.

Attorneys: Ella Raffia, Harold Therrien.

Athletics

At the first call for basketball practice late in October, coach Carlo Angelica found only two letter men reporting for action. However, a large number of new recruits offered support to the Blue and White squad.

On January 6, Higgins met Saint Joseph Parochial School in the first tilt of the season emerging victoriously by a score of 18-11.

January 11, found Higgins at Broad Brook. Higgins built up an early lead, but seemed to lose ground during the last half of the game. The final score however, showed Higgins ahead by a score of 14-12.

A return game was played with Saint Joseph on January 20th. This game resulted in a 16-8 win for Higgins.

January 24, found the newly organized Warehouse Point squad facing Higgins on the home court. The final count was Higgins 16, Warehouse Point 9.

On January 27 Higgins and Brainard squared off on the Mt. Carmel surface and once again a win was chalked up for Higgins.

February 3rd, found Higgins playing the Maple Street School of Rockville. This proved the fastest game of the season and also marked Higgins first defeat by a score of 22-20.

On February 14, the Higgins men journeyed to Suffield where they once again claimed victory by a score of 30-9.

February 15th brought a return match with Warehouse Point at the Ellsworth Memorial High School. Higgins won by a score of 18-6.

February 22nd saw Rockville invading Higgins territory. This game drew a crowd of about four hundred and fifty people. Higgins took an early lead and kept it throughout the game. Rockville staged a good fight, but was finally forced to surrender to the tune of 23-15.

Higgins bowed to Broad Brook March 8th when they played at the Enfield High School. The final score was 21-17.

The Higgins lassies won their first game of the season, but after that luck seemed against them. They twice suf-fered defeat at the hands of Rockville, also Broad Brook. However, despite the

Rhythmical Reveries

Listen, my children, and you shall hear Of the sad, sad story of our class so dear. We started in September and ended in June

And we are sad that it's ended so soon. For two long years we have struggled hard

To get good marks on our report card. We've tried to live up to the "golden rule"

As we've tried so hard to help our school. "Try, Trust, Triumph," our motto loyal and true,

To thee dear seventh graders we leave to you.

The red carnation will always last, It's been the class flower for a few years

The detention room never did fade
Because of the boys in the eighth grade.
We hope that all the boys next year
Will keep this room so full of cheer.
In all kinds of sport the boys do well
When it comes to tests the girls excel.
Both on the floor and on the field
The highest score the boys do yield.
But when the girls go on the floor,
Over their head the ball will soar.
In all school activities we took our part
We did our job with all our heart.
And when it comes to praise and applause

There always is a little pause.

scores of defeat the girls still maintain it was lots of fun. Miss Lena Angelica, coach, looks to the future.

Three baseball games have been played to date. Higgins has won all thus far, but there are still several hard games ahead and it is likely that a great deal of opposition will appear before the end of the season.

In all our classes we've done our best Now it's time to take a rest. Off to the class picnic we must leave We hope that the seventh graders will not grieve.

We leave behind our pens and books And all the teachers naughty looks. The time has come to say adieu, So we bow "gratias agimus" to you.

> James Kiley, Henry Buika.

Class Statistics

Prettiest GirlStella Guminiak
Handsomest BoyEdward Kazmierski
Vainest GirlMiriam Ryan
Vainest BoyCosimo Galluccio
Most Popular GirlGene Furey
Most Popular BoyHenry Buika
Quietest GirlGrace Pindara
Quietest BoyFrederick Turner
Most Talkative Girl Frances Kukulka
Most Talkative BoyJohn Rarus
Class ArtistLucyan Augustyniak
Class AthleteStephen Triolo
Class PetLeonard Landry
Class SheikCosimo Galluccio
Wittiest GirlHelen Mokrycki
Wittiest BoySidney Bushnell
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